

## **Town of Dunstable, Massachusetts**



## **Public Service Announcements**

# **Dunstable Town Hall**

## **Phone**

**978-649-8892**

## **Address**

**511 Main Street  
Dunstable, MA 01827**

## **Web site**

**[www.dunstable-ma.gov](http://www.dunstable-ma.gov)**





# New Community Information Service

- The Dunstable Police Department is pleased to inform all Dunstable residents that the Police Department has launched a new community information service designed to deliver important and timely information to residents in our area while using the latest in technology.
- This service, NIXLE, delivers trustworthy and important neighborhood-level public safety and community event notifications instantly to you by cell phone text message, email and web.
- There is no Spam or advertising. NIXLE is available at no cost (standard text message rates apply for cell phone subscribers who do not have text plans with their cell phones providers).

You may register now and learn more at  
[www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com).

# **Recycling Pays Off**

**Each year the Board of Health  
holds their annual drawing for  
Free Transfer Station Permits &  
Tags for Next Year**

**Remember to submit your  
unused tags (name & contact  
info on back) by Annual Town  
Meeting**



- Assessors & Road Commission Sec'y. Ext. 227
- Assistant Assessor Ext. 225
- Assistant to Town Accountant Ext. 250
- Board of Health Ext. 229
- Board of Health Agent – Nashoba Ext. 235
- Board of Selectmen Ext. 224
- Building Inspector Ext. 226
- Conservation, Planning & Water Ext. 230
- Council on Aging Ext. 223
- Electrical, Plumbing & Gas Inspector Ext. 227
- Tax Collector & Treasurer Ext. 228
- Town Accountant Ext. 221
- Town Clerk Ext. 222



**Town Hall 978-649-4514**

Please take advantage of these great passes provided in part by the Friends of the Dunstable Library

- Boston Museum of Fine Arts
- Fruitlands Museum in Harvard MA
- One Stop Fun in Westford
- US Constitution Museum in Charlestown
- a pass to 50 Massachusetts State parks.



**Passes Available**





# **Dunstable Free Public Library**

Phone:  
978-649-7830

Address:  
588 Main Street  
Dunstable, MA 01827



- **What is the Blackboard Connect One-step Notification Service? More info on our website:**
- <http://dunstable-ma.gov>
- The Town of Dunstable is pleased to announce the launch of the [Blackboard Connect](#)<sup>™</sup> service, our new town-to-resident notification system. With this service, city leaders can send personalized voice messages to residents and businesses within minutes with specific information about time-sensitive or common-interest issues such as emergencies and local community matters.

**Special Announcement from  
our Emergency Management  
Team**



- Groton Jr. Hockey registration is now open for Learn to Skate & Mite-ADM
- Visit our website at [www.GJHA.net](http://www.GJHA.net) for more information.



**Jr. Hockey Registration**

## **Important Message from our Police Chief James G. Downes III:**

**Dunstable volunteers interested in providing a supporting role to the Dunstable Police Department may contact Chief Downes at 978-649-8891 to learn more about the Community Emergency Response Team (C.E.R.T)**

# **Community Response Team**



- ✓ **Call My Mom, a non-profit organization, can provide you with immediate notification of unsafe practices by your teenage drivers.**
- ✓ **A coded bumper sticker delivers incoming incident reports directly to you phone and e-mail**
- ✓ **Call My Mom at 1-800-493-5549 or**
- ✓ **Visit website [www.callmymom.org](http://www.callmymom.org)**

**Are your teenagers driving safely?**

- **Homework Club**... The library will be offering homework help every Tuesday night from 6:30 – 7:30. This is a free service for children from Kindergarten to High School. Honor Students from local high schools will be available to help your child. Let these students help your child understand their math homework and more. :-) There will not be help offered on 10/22 because the Halloween party will be happening at this time!

**Dunstable Public Library**  
**588 Main Street, Dunstable**



- **The Town of Dunstable's "Open Space & Recreation Plan" has been approved by the state.**
- **State approval is effective thru 12/2017. A copy is available at the library for review.**

**Open Space & Recreation Plan**

- The Dunstable Technology Committee is always looking for volunteers.
- Windows 7, Windows XP and Windows server experience is currently needed.
- Contact [tech@dunstable-ma.gov](mailto:tech@dunstable-ma.gov)



**Volunteers Needed**

Did you hear about a dog at the library?  
Come and read to Darwin the Dog.

Darwin will be visiting us each month.

Please check the date and sign up at the  
library. You can bring your favorite book  
to read or we will provide one for you.  
Darwin loves to be read to!



Darwin the Dog





- Nashoba Board of Health &
- Well Adult Clinic
- Dunstable Town Hall
- 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of Month
- 11AM–12 Noon
- Blood Pressure/Pulse Screening
- Diet teaching



**Dunstable Well Adult Clinic**

Announcing a fitness program for people 60 & older that focuses on balance, strength training & has educational component that includes such topics as fall prevention, osteoporosis & nutrition.

Originally began Sept. 2012 10:30-11:30 @Dunstable Public Library and continues to be held there on Wednesday & Fridays For more info see Town Website Notices or contact Ruth Tully at 978-649-4514 x223

**RSVP Bone Builders Program**

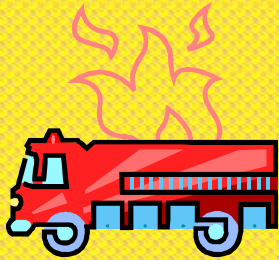




- **The Dunstable Gardening Group, better know as the DIG group, meets one Thursday a month at the library to discuss their design plans, etc.**
- ***Please check the Library calendar for current schedule***
- **DIG meetings are open to everyone. Please come and bring your ideas.**

**Dunstable Gardening Group**





# Fire Department Contact Info

## Effective Oct 1, 2013



The Fire Department Telephone number for alarm systems\* will be changing to **978-448-6666**.

\*If you have an alarm system with a voice dialer or alarm company that calls the fire department, please notify them of this change and let them know this change has to be made as soon as possible and no later than May 1, 2014. **Also note this number can be used to call in a fire or medical emergency in Dunstable from a cell phone.** The current #978-433-6665 will also stay in use until May 1, 2014. All other numbers remain the same

### TO REPORT A FIRE CALL 9-1-1



Business Line 978-649-6661  
Fax Line 978-649-6072



- **Halloween Party**... Please join us for a spooky night filled with lots of fun activities and crafts. The party will be on Tuesday October 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6:00pm – 7:30pm. Wear your costumes for our special event. This will be lots of fun!



**Halloween Party**  
**Dunstable Public Library**



- In response to inquiries concerning the Police Union's telemarketing campaign, the Dunstable Police Department wishes to inform residents that the ***Dunstable Police Union (New England Police Benevolent Association, Local 7)*** is a ***separate organization formed under MGL Chapter 150(E)*** and is **not** under the direction, supervision or management of the Town of Dunstable Police Department. The decision to donate remains the sole decision of informed citizens.



**Attention Dunstable Residents**



- Interested in serving your community?
- The **Dunstable Zoning Board of Appeals** has openings for a regular member and associate member position.
- Please call 978-649-4987 for more information.



**Members Needed**

## Children's Craft with Mrs. Wall

- Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup> from 11:00am – 12:00pm. Halloween Treat Tote:

Decorate a tote bag to hold Halloween treats. Ages 3 and up with an adult. Wear messy clothes because we will be using permanent paints and markers. Pre register please, so we have enough supplies.



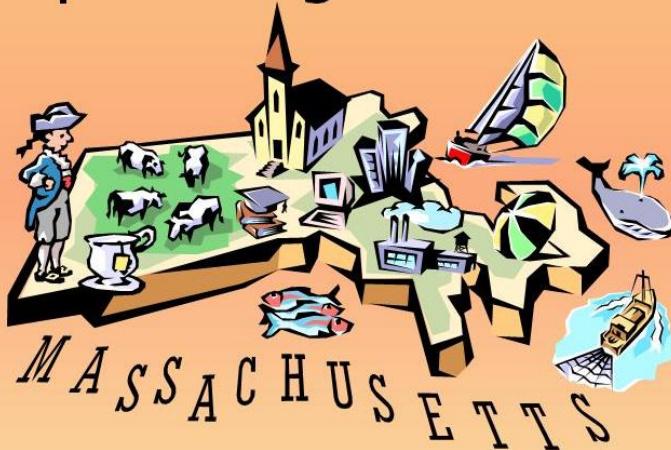


- **The Board of Health would like to announce new rates for transfer station permits.**
- Beginning July 1, 2013 permits can be purchased Monday-Friday 9:00-4:00 on the upper level of the town hall as follow.
- When purchasing a regular permit for \$200.00 you will receive 110 bag tags. Senior permits (65 years & over) will cost \$75.00 and you will receive 55 bag tags. Recycling permits are \$10.00.
- You may also purchase the permits by mail by sending a check for the appropriate amount made payable to the Town of Dunstable, copies of up to two vehicle registrations and four \$.46 stamps.
- Your 2012-2013 tags are valid through July 31<sup>st</sup>, for the October bulky item disposal event, or can be submitted for the annual lottery, being held this year on **November 5<sup>th</sup>** at a Board of Health meeting, where two (2) drawings will take place for a free transfer station permit for the following year. Please remember that first round purchases of stickers are the only ones that may be used for the lottery. Put your name and phone number on each tag and drop them at the town hall.

## **2013 TRANSFER STATION** **PERMITS & STICKERS**



- The Town periodically receives videos, dvds, etc. for public viewing from different government agencies.
- These materials are available at the Dunstable Public Library during regular operating hours.



**Public Service Videos, Etc.**



- Our pre-school story hour is open to all 3, 4 and 5 year olds. You can choose to come on Thursdays or Fridays We meet from 10:30 – 11:30. The program includes stories and a craft or activity. Come in and join the fun!

## Preschool Story Hour

# Recycle Your Reusables



**Saturday, October 19, 9am-2pm**  
Ayer-Shirley Regional Middle School  
1 Hospital Road, Shirley MA

## **For more information or to volunteer**

<http://recycleyourreusables.wordpress.com> | 978 496-5839 |

[Ayerrecycles@gmail.com](mailto:Ayerrecycles@gmail.com)

Sponsored by the Ayer Recycling Committee, the Shirley Recycling Committee, and the towns of Groton, Harvard, Littleton and Townsend



- Hospice of Nashoba is seeking volunteers to help with their bereavement program.
- Help with phone calls / support groups
- If interested, please contact Wendy Chieffo, Coordinator
- 1-800-698-3307 ext.1352.



**Hospice Volunteers Needed**

A lot goes on at the library, and the Friends could use a few more volunteers to help with programs, book sales or fund-raising. Let us know if can help with even just one thing. Next Friends meeting is October 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM

Dunstable Public Library

**Friends Looking  
for New Friends**





## **Groton-Dunstable Athletic Booster Club Meetings**

Monthly meetings are held during the school year on the first Wednesday of every month at 7:00PM at the High School

We invite all parents, students and coaches to attend

- Hospice Office Volunteers with computer skills needed
- Microsoft Word and Excel for letters, mailings & data entry
- 3-4 hours a week or alternate weeks
- located at Phoenix Park in Shirley
- 1-800-698-3307 ext. 352

**Volunteers Needed**





Please note Library hours which have been effective since February 7, 2011 and continue until further notice:

- Tuesdays - 3PM to 8:00PM
- Wednesdays - 10AM to 2:00PM
- Thursdays - 10AM to 8:00PM
- Fridays - 10AM to 2:00PM
- Saturdays - 10AM to 2:00PM

## New Library Hours

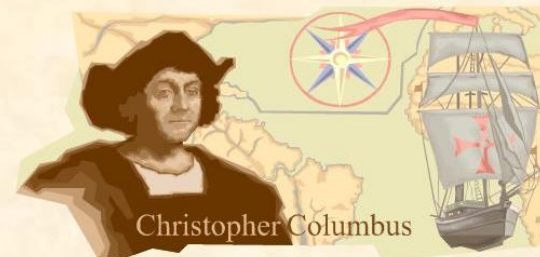




## Important Dates October 2013



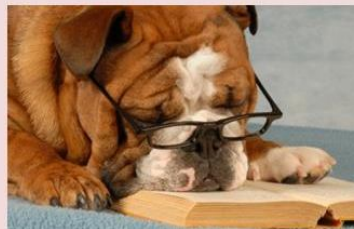
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| Monday, Oct. 14 <sup>th</sup>   | - | Columbus Day Holiday   |
| Thursday, Oct. 31 <sup>st</sup> | - | Halloween 5PM-8PM      |
| Saturday, Oct. 19 <sup>th</sup> | - | Recycle Your Reusables |



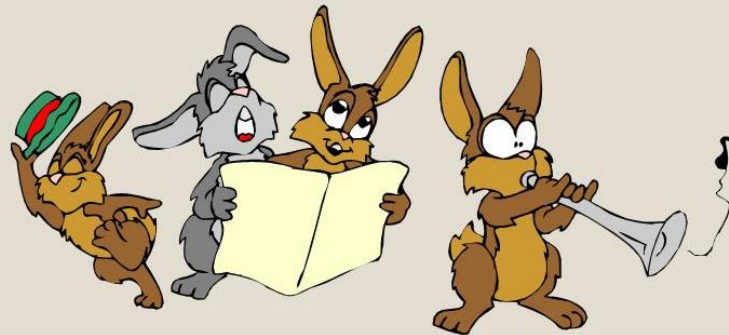


- If you no longer own a dog that was licensed this year, please let the Town Clerk know so we can remove the dog's name from our records.
- All dogs age 6 months or older must be licensed under MA state law. The annual fee in the Town of Dunstable is \$6.00 for a spayed/neutered dog and \$10.00 for an unaltered dog.
- A late fee of \$10 will be assessed after March 1 & a \$25.00 fine after May 1<sup>st</sup>. A current rabies certificate must be on file with the Town Clerk to purchase a license.
- Applications will be mailed with the annual town census, or can be downloaded at [www.dunstable-ma.gov](http://www.dunstable-ma.gov). Kennel licenses must have the approval of the Animal Control Officer. Please contact the Clerk's office for the status of your dog's rabies certificate if you are unsure.

**Reminder: Dog licenses expire on December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year**



- **Music and More** ( formally known as **Toddler Tales**) ... Story time/music for kids ages 18 months to 5 years old is held every other Saturday. We will meet October 12th and 26th from 10:30–11:00AM. Finger plays and activities will be included. Feel free to drop-in.



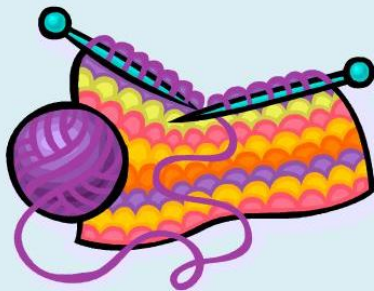
**Music and More**





- At Swallow Union Library
- Monday evenings from 7:00PM – 9:00PM
- Beginners welcome
- these classes are open to all ages and all levels of experience, including those who want to learn. Knitting & crochet under direction of Donna Acquaviva; Rug Hooking directed by Marge Kimpton

## Knitting, Crochet & Rug Hooking



## **Adult Grieving & Healing Support Groups**

- **Second Tuesday of Each Month**
- **Daytime: 12:30-2 Shirley Public Library**
- **Evenings: 6-7:30 Nashoba Valley Medical Center**
- **Registration is not required for drop in contact Karen Campbell, Coordinator**
- **Bereavement Services at  
1-800-698-3307 x 320**

**Nashoba Nursing Service &  
Hospice**





- The Cultural Council dispenses MCC grants for many of our town's cultural events and is in need of some new members
- If you would be interested in serving on this committee, please call the Selectmen's office at 978-649-4514 X224 or e-mail

[CulturalCouncil@Dunstable-MA.GOV](mailto:CulturalCouncil@Dunstable-MA.GOV)

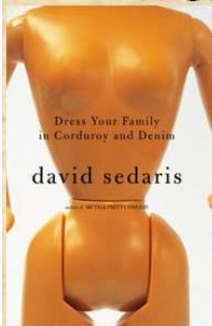
**Members Needed**

# **Adult Reading Group**

## **Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:00PM**

**Adult Reading Group** Will meet on Saturday, October 19 at 1:00. We will be discussing, "Dress Your Family in Corduroy and Denim" by David Sedaris. Summary: David Sedaris returns to his deliriously twisted domain, that of his hilarious childhood dramas infused with melancholy. The library provides copies of all books. New members are always welcome.

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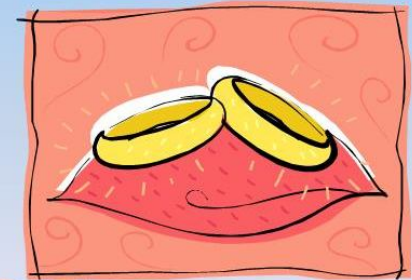


# **Dunstable Public Library**

## **588 Main Street**



- Marriage licenses are customarily handled by appointment only since the processing time runs around a half hour. Because of other services to the public, the Town Clerk usually doesn't accept any appointments on Monday nights. However, she'll always try to accommodate you with special weekend or evening appointments and can usually work something out.
- Premarital blood tests are no longer required.



## Marriage Licenses

The Board of Selectmen is looking for individuals who are interested in serving on the following:

Affordable Housing Committee  
Technology Committee  
Cultural Council  
Cable Committee

If you would be interested in any of these positions, please contact the Selectmen's office at 978-649-4514 X224 or via e-mail at [Selectmen@Dunstable-MA.GOV](mailto:Selectmen@Dunstable-MA.GOV).

Thank you.

**Interested in Serving the Town?**





## Service Outage Contact Numbers

Please make sure to report power outages to National Grid at

1-800-465-1212

to insure that the power company knows your power is out.

- To report phone outages call the following # for Verizon 1-800-837-4966 or for Charter 1-888-438-2427.

## Reporting Service Outages

- Recordings of the Greater Lowell Technical High School Committee meetings are kept at the Library where they can be checked out for your leisure viewing.



**GLTHS School Committee**



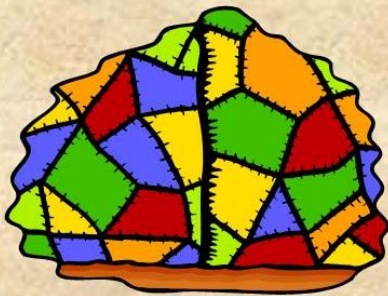
- **The 2012 Dunstable Water Department Consumer Confidence Report has been completed and mailed to all water customers. If you would like a copy, please contact the Water Department at (978) 649-4514 x230 .**
- Office Hours are Monday-Thursday 7:30AM to 3:00PM



**Dunstable Water Commission**



- Under the direction of Robin Murch is held on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday evenings of the month from 6:00-8:00PM (check Library calendar).
- Come and learn how or just to work on an uncompleted project or to just socialize with other quilters. We have lots of books to inspire you.



## Quilting Class

